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SUMMARY CHINESE SUGGESTED EVENING NOVEMBER 16 THAT WE ARRANGE FOR NETHERLANDS APPROACH TO ALGERIANS ASAP FOR PURPOSE OF PRESENTING CONSENSUS TEXT TO DPRK SIDE. IN LATE EVENING, NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR SECURED APPOINTMENT WITH ALGERIAN FOR NOON NOVEMBER 17. CHINESE PREDICT DPRK COSPONSORS MIGHT ACCEPT TEXT EARLY NEXT WEEK. END SUMMARY

1. AFTER REFTEL PREPARED NETHERLANDS DEPUTY VAN DER KLAUW REPORTED TO US THAT SYRIAN AMBASSADOR KELANI HAD BEEN RECEIPTIVE TO IDEA OF EXPLORING COMPROMISE ON KOREA ISSUE. TOTH AGREED TO TAKE FURTHER SOUNDINGS, INCLUDING WITH KOREAN PRINCIPALS, DISCUSS AGAIN MONDAY AND EXCHANGE IDEAS ON DRAFT RESOLUTION. NEITHER MENTIONED "CONSENSUS," FOCUSING INSTEAD ON RESOLUTION.

2. IN EARLY EVENING SHORTLY THEREAFTER, CHOU NAN TELEPHONED, THAYER. AFTER BRIEF AMPLIFICATION OF EARLIER IDEA ON EFFECT OF COMPROMISE RESOLUTION DRAFTED BY NON-ALIGNED GROUP, CHOU SAID HE HAD IMPORTANT MATTER TO TAKE UP. "ACCORDING TO MY KNOWLEDGE," HE SAID, "ALGERIANS ARE READY TO MEET THE NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR, IF THE NETHERLANDS  
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AMBASSADOR IS READY TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE."

3. CHOU PROPOSED FOLLOWING: WHEN NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR (FACK) MEETS ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR, HE SHOULD AT NO TIME DISCLOSE

US-PRC AGREEMENT ON TEXT, AND FACK "SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR SUCH QUESTIONS" (ON US-PRC CONTACTS) THAT WOULD BE PUT IN DIFFERENT WAYS. CHOU ASKED ASSURANCE THAT FACK WOULD AT NO TIME -- NOW OR IN FUTURE -- EVEN HINT ABOUT SINO-US CONTACTS. TO FACILITATE PRESENTATION AND ITS FINAL ACCEPTANCE BY DPRK SIDE, CHOU EXPLAINED, FACK SHOULD PRESENT US-PRC TEXT AS AGREED UPON BUT "IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE" FOR FACK TO ADD ONE PARAGRAPH AT BEGINNING, REFERRING TO RESPONSIBILITY OF UN IN MAINTAINING PEACE AND SECURITY. (WE HAD SOUGHT, DURING SCALI-HUANG NEGOTIATIONS, TO INCLUDE CHARTER LANGUAGE IN AGREED TEXT.)

4. CHOU SAID THAT WE BOTH "WOULD ANTICIPATE" THAT AFTER PRESENTING DRAFT TO THE ALGERIANS, AND THROUGH ALGERIANS TO NORTH KOREA, NORTH KOREA WOULD ASK, THROUGH ALGERIANS, THAT THE (ADDITIONAL) FIRST PARAGRAPH BE DELETED. CHOU EMPHASIZED THAT THIS UNDERSTANDING SHOULD NOT BE DISCLOSED TO ALGERIANS, "AND THE OUTCOME WOULD BE THE SAME AS WE AGREED."

5. IN FURTHER DISCUSSION, CHOU URGED THAT WE ARRANGE CONTACT ASAP, SAME EVENING IF POSSIBLE OR NEXT DAY. WE AGREED DO BEST. CHOU ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT FACK OPEN DISCUSSION WITH KELANI BY REFLECTING KNOWLEDGE OF VARIOUS DRAFT COMPROMISES UNDER DISCUSSION, INCLUDING THOSE BEING PREPARED BY UNCOMMITTED AFRICAN GROUP AND BY SWEDEN (WHICH WE HAD DISCUSSED WITH CHOU EARLIER). REAFFIRMING INTEREST IN MOVING FAST, CHOU SAID EARLIER TEXT GIVEN TO ALGERIANS, EARLIER ALGERIANS CAN SEEK INSTRUCTIONS (NOT CLEAR WHETHER HE MEAN FROM NORTH KOREANS OR FROM CAPITAL). WE TOLD CHOU WE WOULD CONSULT AMB. SCALI, ROK AND NETHERLANDS AND INFORM.

6. WE IMMEDIATELY MET WITH NETHERLANDS DEPUTY AND ROK COUNSELLOR. EACH AGREED TO CHOU PROPOSAL, SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMING WITH FACK AND FONMIN KIM. THAYER THEN INFORMED CHOU WE PREPARED TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY. FACK TELEPHONED ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR RAHAL MID-EVENING, SUGGESTING DISCUSSION ON KOREA, RAHAL RECEIVED SUGGESTION WARMLY AND IMMEDIATELY  
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AGREED ON APPOINTMENT FOR NOON NOV 17.

7. LATER IN EVENING, AFTER FURTHER REVIEW WITH NETHERLANDS DEPUTY, THAYER TELEPHONED CHOU TO INSURE CHINESE AGREEMENT TO EXACT LANGUAGE OF THROW-AWAY NEW PARA. WE PROPOSED SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO PEACE AND SECURITY "IN KOREAN AREA," RECOMMENDING THIS WOULD ENHANCE FACK'S CREDIBILITY AS DRAFTER. AFTER REMINDING US THAT NEW PARA WAS TO BE DISCARDED BEFORE FINAL TABLING IN FIRST COMMITTEE, CHOU AGREED, SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY HUANG.

8. CHOU THEN, WITH SLIGHT APOLOGY FOR RE-EMPHASIZING POINT, SAID THAT HE "COULD NOT STRESS ENOUGH" THAT "SUCCESS

HINGES UPON ANTICIPATING (FOR FACK-RAHAL MEETING) THAT VARIOUS QUESTIONS WILL BE ASKED BY RAHAL ABOUT SINO-AMERICAN AND NORTH KOREAN-CHINESE AGREEMENT. IT IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT," CHO SAID, THAT FACK BE "FULLY PREPARED" TO ANSWER SUCH QUESTIONS. OTHERWISE, WHOLE EFFORT WOULD FAIL. CHOU EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT ALGERIAN "MIGHT BE SUSPICIOUS" AND THEREFORE MIGHT SEEK TO SATISFY HIMSELF ON DRAFT'S INDEPENDENT ORIGIN.

9. WE MEETING WITH FACK FOR BRIEFING JUST PRIOR TO RAHAL APPOINTMENT.  
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